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# THE MISSOURI MINER

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## 33 Advanced R.O.T.C. To O.C.S at Belvoir

Very recently all of the MSM-activated R. O. T. C. unit stationed here at MSM received orders to go to Officers Candidate School at Fort Belvoir, Maryland. All of these men were former MSM students before they joined the Enlisted Reserve Corps. Soon after enlisting, they were taken out of college to take Basic military training, and then were sent back to MSM to wait admission to O. C. S. The majority of these men were seniors, hoping to get degrees from MSM but still glad to get a chance at O. C. S. The entire unit was given a 10 day furlough and will be back in Rolla February 28th and will leave the 29th for Fort Belvoir. At Belvoir they will be placed in an Officers Candidate pool awaiting openings in O. C. S.

The men leaving Missouri School of Mines are: G. Allison, C. Anton, C. Blair, C. Browning, G. Burke, A. Bush, H. Butzer, J. Clayton, W. Ellis, R. Frame, R. Goodwin, W. Goodwin, W. Hellweg, J. Hornum, J. Hoeche, W. Hoereth, W. Howard, J. Kendall, S. Lyle, E. Miller, L. Moeller, M. Monte, J. Mueller, B. Nichols, W. Parkinson, R. Rock, H. Rudisale, L. Selleck, R. Steiner, H. Thorwegan, F. Walsh, R. Wegener, W. Wegener.

## AXE PLANS SMOKER FOR 24TH

The Beta Delta Chapter of Alpha Chi Sigma held its second bi-monthly meeting of the month on February 16th in room 109 of the old Chemistry Building. It has been decided to hold meetings on Thursday of the first and third weeks of the month instead of the usual Wednesday.

A smoker will be held on Thursday evening at 7:30 in the Chemical Engineering Laboratory of the new Chemical Building for all students enrolled in Chemical Engineering or who are majoring in Chemistry.

Bill Magill was elected to the office of Master of Ceremonies and Bart Yoder was elected Recorder at this meeting. These men were elected to fill the vacancies left by the departure of Jack Moeller and Wayne Moereth, former Master of Ceremonies and Recorder, respectively. Jack and Wayne have left school to attend the Officers Candidate School at Fort Benning, Ga.

## Harold Webers New President of "M" Club

Election of officers of the "M" Club was held recently at which time Harold Webers succeeded Don LePere as president of that organization. Webers is a two year track man. Ray Seaburg, two years of football, was elected vice-president; Bob Roley, one year of football, was elected treasurer; and Norman Rankin, one year of track, was elected secretary.

The "M" Club has several AST members and has decided to sponsor four AST dances a year, the first of which was held in the latter part of January.

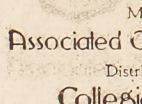
Plans are now under way for the initiation of those members of this year's basketball team who earn their letters.

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## Miners Lose Last Game to Drury, 41-40

The Missouri Miners wound up their 1943-44 basketball season by losing a very close game to the Drury Panthers last Saturday night on a last second free throw which gave Drury the victory by the tight score of 41 to 40. This season finished with two collegiate triumphs both over Parks' Air College of East St. Louis and a string of five Fort Wood victories.

The Miners outplayed and out-shot the Drury five but the breaks turned against them in the closing minutes of the game, with the score even up at 40 apiece, the final point was made with one minute and 35 seconds to go. Center Bob Vogt proved to be the hot shot of the game racking up 16 points to take the high point place over the nearest Drury man Smally who paced the Panthers with 14 points. This game was the third hot game for Vogt, who led the Miner scoring in the Parks, Washington, and Drury games.

The Drury team was tied down the whole game, only picking up some spirit in the last half. The Miners still paced them in the closing three minutes of play when a free throw by Smally on a foul by Rankin put the game on ice for the Panthers.

A small scoring spree started off the game with Bob Smally and Joe Pogue of Drury sinking them

without much opposition until big Bob Vogt began to roll potting 7 baskets in 8 tries to bring the Miners up to a 25 to 23 lead at half time.

Bob scored all his points off Smally one of Drury's best defensive players until the second half when the Drury coach shifted his other defensive ace Pogue to Bob who then had to be satisfied with only one field goal for the latter half.

Even though Vogt couldn't hit the basket the Miners kept whacking away at the basket keeping the Drury five to a 34 to 29 lead with 11 minutes to play. The Miners again set up a spree and with nine minutes remaining the score stuck at 34 to 34. It was also tied up at 38 to 38 with only 3 1/2 minutes to go when Norm Rankin racked up another for the Miners to take the lead 40 to 38. Although it looked like a Miner victory Pogue on a fast break poked the last Drury goal into the bucket to deadlock the score once more.

There was only one minute and 35 seconds left to play when Rankin registered his fifth foul, against Smally, and the Drury hot shot pitched it in to cinch the game. Both teams however had tries at field goals in the last few seconds but both failed to score.

MSM	FG	FT	PF	T
Montgomery	1	0	2	2
Kasten	2	2	2	6
Vogt	8	0	1	16
Tappmeyer	0	1	2	1
Crain	3	1	3	7
Rankin	3	2	5	8
Drury	FG	FT	PF	T
Bogardus	0	0	1	0
Hacker	2	0	0	4
Nichols	3	0	0	6
Smally	6	2	2	14
Pogue	6	0	1	12
Tracy	0	5	4	5
Bush	0	0	0	0

Officials: Shelby Raney and James Ewing.  
Half Score: Rolla 25, Drury 23.  
Missed free throws, Drury 10; MSM 3.

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## As a MINER Sees it

Old Shep is sure catching it these days. He is sure one beat pup. With the school being reduced to bite size many of the students do not know where they stand. Both the Army and civilian students believe they will be shipped out.

Wonder how I will look in olive drab? It will be simply unique to be living with all those strange men. And then perhaps a beautiful queen in Uncle Sams clothing will fall in love with me! I could go for that.

And then there would be those exciting times to be had on leave —walking the streets of an Army town with no moon, looking for fun. "And little streams of alcohol come trickling down the rocks." "Hey Henderson, wake up. You're having a nightmare."

The current rumors have it that MSM will get a goodly allotment of students, when compared with other schools. The selective service recognizes a good school.

The coach is a bit ruffed these days. The Army is not going out for the intramural fights. I wonder?

It comes to me that the loyal citizens of Latvia who served in the first World War are being called to the service of their country.

We appreciated the A. P. O. blotters. Thanks muchly. It is nearly time to get out those "keep off the grass" signs. They live up the place to my way of thinking, in addition to doing their intended job.

I have been looking in vain for the sixty young ladies who were to attend MSM this term. It is hard to realize that these girls were just rumor. However I shall be listening for the first murmur of such next semester. It is something to live for. If I had a voice like Frankie!

Approximately 60 persons attended, including quite a few faculty members. The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p. m., for refreshments.

Theta Kappa Phi had the honor of entertaining several recent alumni at the Chapter House last week-end.

Brother Peter DesJardins was at the house several days. Pete is leaving in the near future for Pearl Harbor in Hawaii. He is to be a civilian engineer working in cooperation with the Navy. Peter graduated in January as a Petroleum Engineer with a Geology option.

Other Alumni at the house included Bob Corbett and Jim Neher who left the Chapter in January. Bob will be inducted on February 29th at Jefferson Barracks and will serve with some branch of the Navy. Jim will attend Notre Dame in Naval Aviation. Special guests were Melvin Steffens and Marvin Marquardt of Washington, Mo.

## Nation-Wide Cut in ASTP

In conjunction with the nationwide reduction in the Army Specialized Training Program, the School of Mines A. S. T. Program will be curtailed in the near future. According to a telegram received by Colonel Mask from the Adjutant General, the nation-wide program will be reduced to include 35,000 trainees in advanced Engineering, Medical, and Dental Groups, and in several other specialized groups. This reduction will be affected prior to April 1, 1944.

The effect that this new ruling will have on the local unit is as yet unknown, according to Colonel Mask, the commanding officer of this unit. There are at present sixty-one advanced Engineering students in this unit, but there is a possibility that these may be supplemented by more advanced trainees after the change in program has been effected. The school was recently approved by the Army as a suitable site for advanced Engineering training.

The new change was brought about through the need of additional skilled men in the final drive against our enemies. Most of those released from the A. S. T. P. will be assigned to active duty with the Army Ground Forces.

## AIMME Receives Donations From Faculty Members

Last Thursday evening, February 17, a meeting of the Missouri School of Mines Chapter of the A. I. M. M. E. was held in Room 204 Norwood. President Hoffman announced that the treasury had been substantially increased by donations from a number of faculty members and also by the St. Louis Section of the A. I. M. M. E. Thanks were tendered to the faculty members concerned and Prof. H. R. Hanley, chairman of the Metallurgy department of M. S. M., for the work he had done along these lines.

Prof. Dunn of the Petroleum engineering department of M. S. M. then gave a brief description of drilling methods and in the oil fields. He outlined the various methods of drilling which are used today, and discussed the evolution of drilling through the ages. He explained the use of drilling mud, and some of the problems to be taken into account.

The film "Deep Horizon" was then shown. The film, produced by the Texaco Co., was in technical and sound, and it was highlighted by some very fine camera shots. The entire development of a deep oil well was shown, including geophysical prospecting, logging of the well, drilling, and bringing in the well. Some scenes showing Texaco barge-derrick in the Gulf coast field were also shown.

Approximately 60 persons attended, including quite a few faculty members. The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p. m., for refreshments.

## AROUND MISSOURI

--Items of Interest Gleaned From Our Exchanges--

### Miscellaneous States Items

Crane's newest industry, the Wood Garment Factory, began operations a few days ago with an initial crew of twenty-five women, operating as many sewing machines and making boys' overalls. The factory is large enough to house 150 machines and operators and it is thought that the personnel will be increased from time to time.

The business district of Trenton, Grundy County, suffered a disastrous fire on February 7, when a blaze started in the Goldman clothing store and spread to the offices of Pickett and Pickett, attorneys. Other business houses were also damaged, and total loss amounting to about \$20,000.

J. D. Stotler, former owner and operator of the Night Hawk Cafe in Camden, has been appointed sheriff of Camden County to succeed H. J. Williams who resigned to accept a job with the State Department of Liquor Control. Stotler's appointment was made by the county court and he will serve for the remainder of this year.

Elaborate plans are being made for the opening of the trout-fishing season at Roaring River and other state parks on March 1. Despite war-time rationing of gas and tires, reservations are said to be coming in fast from all sections of the state.

Charles T. Deiter of Fulton has purchased the Optic News, a weekly newspaper published at Wells-ville, and will assume active management on March 1.

Burley F. Jones of Lebanon has been elected president of the Chamber of Commerce of the Laclede County seat for the ensuing year. Tom Conner was named vice-president and Jerome Minkler treasurer.

Mrs. Nannie Coward of Springfield has been appointed by the governor as county superintendent of schools of Greene County, succeeding her late husband, L. H. Coward, who held this office for several terms. Her appointment was made on February 15.

City authorities of Kennett, Dunklin County, have under consideration a project which calls for the black-topping of several blocks of the principal streets of the town, preliminary grading and graveling having already been done.

The Border Banner, published at Amsterdam, Bates County, has suspended publication on account of the fact that its publisher, Ralph O. Fritts, 36, has gone to the navy. The paper was founded in 1931.

Castor beans are a major crop in certain localities of Southwest Missouri and rank high as a commodity for carrying on the war effort. Twenty-five Lawrence County farmers produced a total of 20,000 pounds of the seed last season, it has been announced by the county agent.

The Drivers' License Bureau of the State Department in Jefferson City receives hundreds of applications for licenses everyday and, of course, receives thousands of checks in the course of a month, most of them being in amounts of from twentyfive cents up to a dollar. In the more than six years that the department has been in existence, according to P. B. McMahon, supervisor, the department has had but one check that was uncollectable—and it was for only two-bits! "This constitutes quite a record," said Mr. McMahon, "and I think I'll have that one two-bit splinter framed as a souvenir."

Missouri Sawmills to War  
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# World News

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shell for Our Busy  
Readers.

**ROOSEVELT VETOES TAX BILL.**  
WASHINGTON — President Roosevelt today vetoed the new tax bill which he said was filled with "indefensible special privileges to favored groups." He demanded a doubling of the one per cent social security tax, and called for immediate simplification of federal tax laws.

**STRIKE FROM AIR IN TWO DIRECTIONS.**  
LONDON—America's eighth and 15th Air Forces struck their first concerted blows at Germany from Britain and Italy today, thundering in over the Reich from two directions to hammer Nazi fighter aircraft factories and other vital war plants.

**GERMANS QUIT KRIVOI ROG.**  
LONDON—The German DNB News Agency said today that German forces have evacuated the Ukrainian mining center of Krivoi Rog, the last Nazi stronghold in the middle Dnieper bend.

**TOJO IS WORRIED.**  
(By United Press)  
Premier Hideki Tojo told his newly reorganized cabinet today that Japan's survival as a nation is at stake in the present, "most decisive" stage of the war, a Tokyo radio broadcast reported.

**MAY REVIVE COMMODITY CREDIT.**  
WASHINGTON The Senate Banking committee today approved legislation to revive the commodity Credit Corp., which expired legally on February 17, and give it authority to function until June 30, 1945.

**MANY TRAPPED IN AIR RAID SHELTER.**  
STOCKHOLM—A Helsinki Dispatch said today that "several hundred persons" were trapped in the biggest public shelter in Oulu when Russian bombers attacked the Finnish port on the Gulf of Bothnia last night.

## RED CROSS TO CONTINUE IN PRISONER AID

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22.—(UP)—The American Red Cross said today it has "Spared and will continue to spare no effort" to effect Japan's full compliance with the prisoners of war convention and to establish a regular route for shipment of supplies to prisoners of war and internees in the Far East.

The statement was in reply to a charge by Dr. V. H. Spensley of Albuquerque, N. M., a founder of the Bataan relief organization, that "Definite lack of cooperation with Japan" on the part of the American Red Cross was responsible for delay in delivery of relief to American prisoners held by Japan.

## Lenten Lectures At Episcopal Each Week

Lent will be observed in Christ Church, Episcopal with a series of lectures on the history of religion given by the Rector, the Rev. O. V. Jackson. The first lecture will be given tomorrow evening, beginning at 7:15 o'clock. The Ash Wednesday Litany will be read.

Succeeding lectures in which special attention will be given to the indigenous religion of China, India, Japan and the Near East will be given in the church on Wednesday evening throughout the Lenten season.

## Soldier's Poem Leads To Writing Song Lyrics

CAMP WOLTERS, Tex.—(UP)—"It pays to be homesick," says Cpl. Bob Karolovitz of Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

Shortly before the holiday season, the Dallas Morning News printed a poem written by Karolovitz describing the thoughts of a Northern soldier spending his first Christmas in the South.

The result was a deluge of invitations to Christmas dinner. Then the Dakota corporal received an unexpected furlough to return North for the holidays. When he arrived back at Camp Wolters, he found an invitation to set his thoughts to song. Now, Karolovitz spends his spare time writing lyrics for a professional songwriter in Dallas.

# ROLLA DAILY NEW ERA

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## Large Crowd Gathers For WACaravan Show Here This Afternoon

A large crowd gathered at the USO here this afternoon for the first of two performances by the WACaravan. The curtain went up on the array of stars at 2 p. m.

The final performance—both expected to be before capacity audiences—will be at 8 o'clock tonight. The entertainment is free.

The WACaravan, assembled from U. S. Army Air Forces, has brought a group of stars here to

Troupe Arrives!

The 25 members of the troupe arrived in Rolla at noon today, their three stream lined busses gleaming after their morning's heavy shower. After getting settled at the Pennant Hotel they immediately came into town and set up at the USO Auditorium. For most of the members, it was their first trip into the Ozarks and they all exclaimed favorably about the scenic beauty of the surrounding countryside.

Tamorrow, First Lieutenant Elizabeth Berryhill and her special Air-WAC recruiting and classification team will spend the day in Rolla, interviewing eligible young women and answering any queries about the Womens Army Corps.

stimulate interest in the WAC branch of the service. There was every evidence today that their mission would be successful.

Many Fine Performances

In addition to the star performers already mentioned in previous articles in the NEW ERA, their featured players include: Cpl. Alberts Gutierrez, singer, from San Luis Potosi, Mexico; Pvt. Fred Way, dancer; Pfc. Robert Joseph Stevenson, pianist; Pfc. Jerry Ziering, trumpet; Pfc. Tony Costello, singer star once featured vocalist in Tommy Reynolds' and Teddy Powell's bands.

Pvt. Dickie Cohen, ventriloquist, and his dummy, Sgt. Willie Gladstone, always get many laughs. And does Sgt. Willie pull his rank!

**Bad Teeth Hit Production**  
CHICAGO (UP)—Dr. Leo W. Kremer, president of the Chicago Dental Society, says that next to common colds bad teeth cause the most lost man hours in war work.

## Farmers Organized to Keep County Agent

The Phelps County Farmers Association has been organized here to meet all the requirements of House Bill Number 112 to sponsor agriculture extension work and to retain for its our farm and home demonstration agents. The new Board of Directors elected according to the by-laws adopted are as follows:

D. S. Branstetter, Dawson Township; Louis Flaim, St. James Township; Charles Marcellus, North Meramec Township; Frank Miller, South Meramec Township; F. A. Gahr, East Cold Springs Township; Valentine Adams, West Cold Springs Township; William Luppberger, North Dillon Township; W. E. Haas, South Dillon Township; J. F. Smith, West Miller Township; W. P. Wehmeier, Liberty Township; John Brown, North Spring Creek Township; H. E. Laughridge, Arlington Township; Frank Paulsell, Rolla Township; W. S. Miller, At Large; John A. Fleming, At Large.

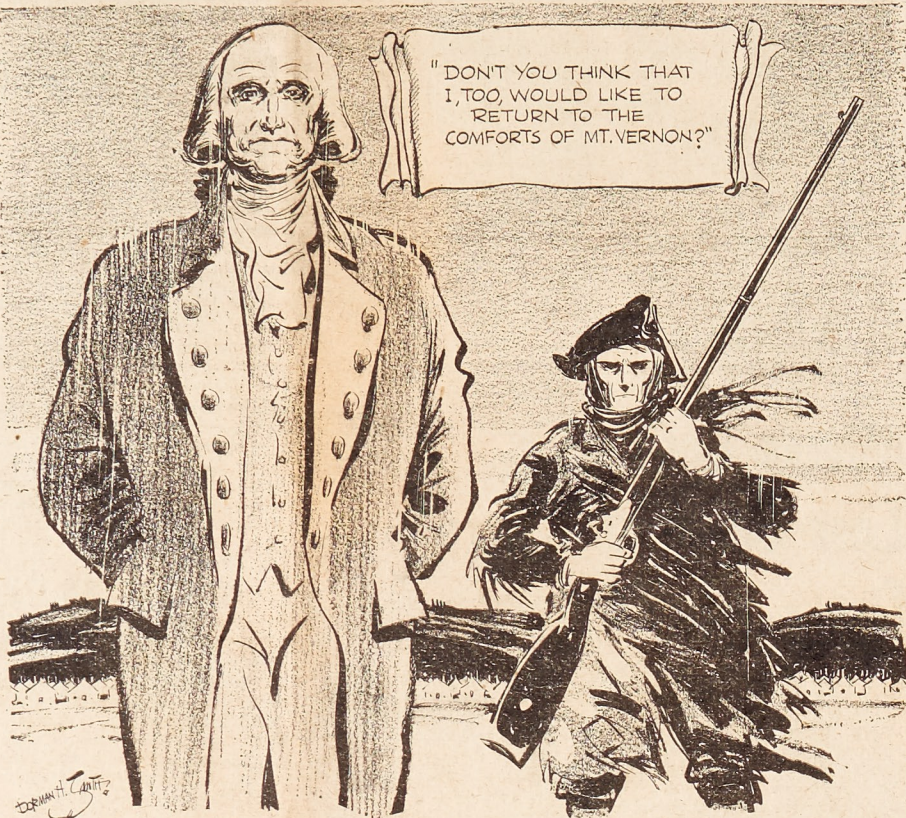
No director elected for South Spring Creek Township as yet.

**Executive Committee**  
The executive committee elected by the Board of Directors who look after the affairs of the Phelps County Farmers Association as called for in the new County Agents law are as follows:

W. S. Miller, president; W. E. Haas, vice president; John A. Fleming, secretary-treasurer; F. A. Gahr, committee member; Lewis Flaim, committee member.

The Board of Directors have stated that under the new house bill 112, the agriculture extension service is sponsored by the Phelps County Farmers Association and any community, neighborhood or school district organization wanting the services or assistance of

## Who Are We to Complain of War's Sacrifices



## OUR MEN IN SERVICE

**Sgt. Logan in Rolla on Furlough.**  
Sgt. Curtis W. Logan, who was an electrician here before joining the Army Air Corps, is spending a few days in Rolla. His wife and daughter, Joyce Ann are with him, and they are visiting Mrs. Logan's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Campbell.

Sgt. Logan got acquainted with our own Sgt. Elmer Thurston at Jefferson Barracks, and dropped in at the NEW ERA office to report on "Elm."

**CADET GREIG IN INTER-MEDIATE FLIGHT TRAINING.**  
U. S. Naval Air Training Center, Pensacola, Florida—Joseph E. Greig, 21, son of Mrs. Estella Greig of Rolla, was recently appointed a Naval Aviation Cadet and was transferred to the Naval Air Training Center, Pensacola, Fla., for intermediate flight training.

Upon completion of the intensive course at the "Annapolis of the Air" Cadet Greig will receive his Navy "Wings of Gold" with the designation of Naval Aviator, and will be commissioned an Ensign in the Naval Reserve or a Second Lieutenant in the Marine Corps Reserve.

**SPENDING FURLOUGH HERE.**  
Orville Brown, Farragut, Idaho, U. S. Navy, is spending a furlough in Rolla with his wife, and children, Norma Jean, and Connie Sue, of 309 Rolla Street, and his father, Solon Brown, of 608 E. 7th St., and other relatives. He will return today to Farragut, where he will complete his boot training.

## McCaw-Smith Buy Old Baptist Church Building

The McCaw-Smith Funeral Home firm has purchased the old Baptist church building, corner 7th and Olive streets, it was announced here today.

The new Baptist church, partially completed, made it possible to offer the old building for sale.

Located just across the street from the present McCaw-Smith funeral home, the old church building will be remodeled and converted into a funeral chapel. The beautiful windows and other aspects of the church building will be retained in the remodeling, making it a chapel-in-fact.

Family rooms will be built in and furnished at the church, and the present funeral home will also be continued in use, according to Alfred Smith, member of the firm.

The chapel will continue to be made available to the Baptist Sunday school until the new church building is completed after the war, Mr. Smith said.

## WACaravan Band Here Today, Replete With 'Name Players' From Famous Units

Devotees of the world of swing all know that the big bands of the nation are having difficulty keeping their best men in these days of war and draft boards. The Army, the Navy, the Marines, the Coast Guards and the Merchant Marine have snatched off hundreds of the country's top-flight musicians, arrangers and band leaders. The swing authorities claim there are more good musicians in uniform than there are in civilian these days.

One look at the personnel of the Army Air Forces' WACaravan orchestra in Rolla today will verify that statement. The twelve piece aggregation is check full of top-flight musicians. They are Air Forces soldiers who have been gathered together from the four corners of the nation—professional men who have played in the movies, night clubs, hotels, restaurants, theaters, radio stations and dance halls that attract America's fun loving swing fans in droves and every night of the week. In short, they're the tops in the music world.

**Drummer Leads Band**  
As in Gene Krupa's famous swing band, the WACaravan's twelve piece orchestra, which plays in the final performance at the USO at 8 p. m., is lead by a drummer, Sgt. George Petersen. Hand-some, thirty-two year old Sgt. Petersen has literally played his drums around the world. The San Francisco born musician started playing professionally in 1932, and was soon en route to Australia with a dance band on board a steamship. He continued playing on a round-the-world cruise, and came back to the Golden Gate city to join other bands.

Corporal James McKeown started playing the trumpet when he was in high school in Los Angeles. By the time he had his diploma, he was a member of Ray Herbeck's crew and toured the country. Although only 25 years old, he has played with Hal Howard, Muzzy Marcellino and Gus Arnheim in addition to Harbeck.

**Started at Age of 5**  
Tenor Sax player Bill Harness went from short pants to a tuxedo. That came about because he had learned to play a saxophone when he was less than fifteen years of age. In his home town of Kalamazoo, Michigan, he joined a dance band that was playing in one of the midwest's smart hotel supper rooms. Although Harness had mastered the piano when he was only five, he has stuck to his tenor sax and has been a member of such famous bands as that of Maury Cross and Anson Weeks.

Pfc. Carl G. Nurski, whose home is St. Joseph, Missouri, has a college degree in music, but that doesn't mean he's a "long hair" musician. His trumpet is one of the hottest in the WACaravan Band's brass section.

Ted Rio Rito, Maurice Spitalney and Red Nichols have all employed the saxophone playing of Cpl. Al Gusak, 30 year old alto sax player in the WACaravan combo. He has appeared over radio stations WTAM, WHK and WGAR in addition to the many network appearances with name bands.

Pianist Spencer Hill, a corporal

## Church Attendance Last Sunday Totaled 1542

Attendance at Rolla's protestant churches rose to a total of 1542 last Sunday, from the previous Sunday's low of 1369.

The rise in attendance was encouraging to all workers in the city-wide Church Attendance Crusade.

## Led Flight Over Truk



(NEA Telephoto)  
Marine Major James R. Christensen, left, Salt Lake City, Utah, flight leader and pilot of first two American planes which made reconnaissance flight over Truk and (right) Lt. Richard Starnes, USMC, Chicago, Ill., his navigator. On the flight photos were made which guided the attack launched by the U. S. Navy on the Jap stronghold.

## Churchill Hits Over-Optimism

LONDON, Feb. 22.—(UP)—Prime Minister Churchill began his first full address to Commons since his return from the Cairo and Tehran conferences at 12:15 p. m. (7:15 a. m. EWT) today.

Seeking to allay over-optimism, Churchill said that he never had taken the view that the end of the war was "at hand," or that Adolf Hitler was about to collapse.

"I certainly have given no guarantee or even held out any expectation that the year 1944 will see the end of the European war, nor have I given any guarantee in any other way," he said.

"On the whole, my information goes to show that Hitler and his police still are in full control and that the Nazi party and generals have decided to hang together."

He estimated the strength of the German army still at about 300 divisions, at full strength about 4,500,000 men, but added many divisions had been reduced substantially in numbers. The fighting quality of the troops remained high, however, he said.

"The recent fighting in Italy should leave no doubt on these points," he said.

**Air Assault Getting Results**  
Turning to the aerial offensive against Germany, Churchill said that 3,000,000 Germans were assigned to air raid precautions and defense work. Four-fifths of the German fighter plane forces were engaged in combatting the Allied raiders, he reported.

The Anglo-American raids have had a "noteworthy effect" on German munitions production, he said, and also have produced a "dull apathy" among the German people.

The American air force in Britain now is beginning to surpass the Royal Air Force and "soon will be substantially greater still," Churchill revealed.

**9000 Tons Dropped in 36 Hours**  
He said the Anglo-American air assault on Germany must be regarded as "our chief offensive effort at present."

"In the four most recent raids by British and American aircraft on Germany," he said, 9,000 tons of bombs were dropped. These constitute the most violent attacks that ever yet have been made on Germany and also in value of saturation.

"That aspect will steadily increase as our forces develop and as American forces come to their full scope and scale. The spring and summer will show a vast increase in force attacks directed against military targets in Germany and occupied territory."

Churchill said long-range bombing from Italy will penetrate southern Germany effectively.

## WAR BULLETINS

**REDS DELIVER ONE-TWO BLOW.**  
MOSCOW, Feb. 22.—(UP)—The Red Army, slashing at both flanks of the German battle line, stormed through the streets of Krivoi Rog and raced over the approaches to Pskov today in bids for quick victories to celebrate the 26th anniversary of its founding tomorrow.

**GET SET FOR MORE FIGHTING NEAR ROME.**  
ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, Naples, Feb. 22.—(UP)—Ground fighting slackened all along the Italian battle-front today as the wearied Allied and German armies massed troops and equipment for the third and possibly decisive round in their bloody struggle for the Anzio beach-head and the hills above Cassino.

**CLEAN UP MARSHALL ISLANDS.**  
PEARL HARBOR, Feb. 22.—(UP)—The speedy American conquest of Eniwetok atoll, Japanese naval and air base 750 miles northeast of Truk, entered its final phase today with an assault on Parry, last enemy-held island in the northwestern Marshalls.

**LIGHT BOMBERS FOLLOW UP ALLIED BLOWS.**  
LONDON, Feb. 22.—(UP)—British Mosquito bombers, taking over the record air offensive against Europe on a reduced scale, attacked Germany and occupied territory during the night and military objectives in northern France today.

**Alfred Gillioz Dies; Funeral Tomorrow**  
Alfred Gillioz, jr., son of the late Alfred and Josephine Gillioz, passed away at the Springfield Hospital in Springfield, Missouri, yesterday. He was born in Phelps County, April 18, 1880. His parents had settled in the Flat Grove vicinity in 1875, and Alfred spent most of his life there.

Survivors include one brother, M. E. Gillioz of Monett, Mo.; three sisters, Mrs. Josephine Maggi of Rolla, Mrs. Mary Hard of St. Louis, and Mrs. A. Frederick of Fredericktown, Missouri; and other relatives.

Funeral services will be held at the McCaw-Smith funeral chapel tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock. Rev. J. E. Fulkerson will officiate. Interment will be in the Flat Grove Cemetery.

**Fire Hazards To Be Subject At C. of C. Wednesday**  
"Fire Hazards and their Prevention" will be the subject of a talk at the Chamber of Commerce luncheon here tomorrow by M. H. Buckley, fire marshal.

The public welfare, involved by fire hazards, will be discussed by the fire department official.

**Bulldogs Downed Ft. Wood Team Last Night**  
The Rolla High School Bulldogs last night took the measure of the 754th Field Artillery, Battery "A" team from Fort Wood. Final score in the game was 56 to 36.

Cletus Fink was high point man, with 22 points to his credit. Avery Drake was acting captain, and David Donnan played on the first team in the place of Jack Niemiller.

Most unusual play of this or any game came when Max Burgett, attempting to pass to big Donnan, accidentally looped the ball into the basket. It was a tossup as to who was most surprised, Burgett, Donnan or referees Asher and Ogles.

**Box Score:**

	FG	FT	F	Pts
Fink	11	0	1	22
Burgett	4	3	3	11
Donnan	3	2	1	8
Bell	3	1	1	7
Drake, c.	4	0	2	8
Total				56

**R. J. Koch, Sr., Dies In Muskogee, Okla.**  
R. J. Koch, Sr., of Checotah, Okla., died at the General Hospital, at Muskogee, Okla., yesterday afternoon at 6:15 o'clock. Mr. Koch is a former resident of Rolla and is survived by one brother, A. E. Koch, one sister, Miss Hattie Koch, a sister-in-law, Mrs. E. J. Koch and a niece, Mrs. Lucian Bolen, all of Rolla. Funeral arrangements are incomplete.